Appomattox County . . . Yesterday And Today

by Paul Ghiote

"Appomattox need no longer represent strife and woe and humiliation. Eternally it may stand as an example of the reunion of brothers who never must permit the strife of class to take the place of the strife of States, or ever by anything we do or leave undone, keep this America of ours from being the dedicated shrine of that sacred peace." Thus did Dr. Douglas Southall Freeman end his address as principal speaker at the McLean House dedication in the historical park 25 years ago on Sunday, April 16, 1950.

One writer described the atmosphere of that day's events in the following manner: "There was something of the carnival spirit along the approaches to the area designated for the dedication ceremonies . . . of homecoming in the greeting of relatives and old friends and the picnic lunches spread here and there."

Were you there? An estimated 18,000 to 20,000 persons were. According to highway officials, probably as many more, in 5,000 automobiles were unable to reach the village! The years may have taken their toll on your weight, hair thickness, suit style or hem length but if you were there, look closer. You're probably in there - somewhere!

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Description of the four photographs above:

1.) Representative in Congress from the Fourth District, Watkins M. Abbitt of Appomattox, giving the welcome preceding the addresses.

2.) A section of the crowd before the speakers' stand. Note cars in the background.

3.) Virginia Gov. John S. Battle addressing the crowd. Clover Hill Tavern is to his right.

4.) VMI Band before McLean House. Meeks Store in background. Robert E. Lee IV and Ulysses S. Grant III in foreground above porch railing. LOOKING BACK . . .

1.) The other band at the dedication ceremony was:
a.) Quantico Marine Band b.) U. S. Army Band c.) VPI Band d.) Navy Band

2. One of the speakers at the ceremony was:
a.) Gov. Roger Tomlin b.) Rep. Julian Randon c.) Virgil Chapman d.) Rep. Roy Moon

3.) This Civil War regiment's battle flag was waved that day:
a.) 82nd N.C. b.) 61st Va. c.) 22rd Va. d.) 15th N.Y.

4.) This man built the original McLean House:
a.) John Sears b.) Thomas Tweedy c.) Charles Raine d.) Lloyd Williams

5.) The historical park is how old this year?
a.) 40 b.) 25 c.) 35 d.) 28

ANSWERS:
1.) a.2.) c.3.) b.4.) c.5.) c

Beckham

APRIL 14 - Mrs. Martin Coleman and Mrs. Lonnie Reynolds were recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin visiting in this home during the week end were Mr. Howlett Drinkard, Mr. Donald Lee Drinkard, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Martin and boys, Mrs. Geraldine Moore, Debbie and Gwen Moore.

Mrs. Howlett Drinkard and Miss Eunice Martin spent Monday with Mrs. John Grow of Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stallings and Wendy and Timmy Moore spent last week with Mrs. W. A. Harper and family of Lakeland, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schmutz and girls were Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. H. C. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burge visited Mrs. E. C. Jennings Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Gibbs Martin is spending today with Mrs. L. E. Martin.

Ronnie Morris was home for the week end from VPI & SU.

Mrs. H. C. Moore and Mrs. Tom Schmutz visited Mrs. Herman Moore today.

PAMPLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU

Mon., April 21 - Turkey, baked apples, creamed potatoes, orange juice, milk, rolls.

Tues., April 22 - Pizza, Turnip greens, potato chips, milk, cookies.

Wed., April 23 - Corn dogs, peas, sliced tomatoes, French fries, fruit, milk.

Thurs., April 24 - Chicken Salad, green peas, cole slaw, jello, milk, bread.

Fri., April 25 - Barbecue, buttered rice, green beans, rolls, milk, fruit.

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[illegible]DA Announces 1975 Forestry [illegible]centives Program (FIP)

U. S. Department of [illegible]culture announced on [illegible] 17, a 1975 Forestry [illegible]tives Program (FIP) [illegible] improving the nation's [illegible]acreage of small private [illegible] ownership tracts. The [illegible]m will tentatively be [illegible] at the $25 million level [illegible]ed by Congress.

[illegible]its second year of [illegible]on, FIP will again be [illegible]le in most States in [illegible]ably designated counties [illegible]ch resources potential [illegible]ased timber produc[illegible]ch annual and long-term [illegible]ments will be offered to [illegible] owners of non-industr[illegible]te forest land.

Federal cost-sharing under these agreements will range from 50 to 75 percent of the cost of carrying out tree planting and timber stand improvement practices. All FIP agreements must be based on forest management plans developed by the local forester in cooperation with the landowner.

FIP will be administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service through its farmer-elected committee system. The forest service, in conjunction with State and district foresters, will provide technical assistance in developing forest management plans and servicing practices.

[illegible] PRECINCTS TO [illegible]AME IN [illegible]G ELECTION

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[illegible]s arising from the [illegible]t of the subdivision. [illegible]pervisors set aside the [illegible] from April 15 to June 15 [illegible]nnual period for all [illegible]pomattox County.

[illegible] of the agenda was the [illegible] of use of county trash [illegible]s and garbage collec[illegible]ites for a country music [illegible] to be held at Paradise [illegible] the summer. This [illegible]hould be provided at

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John C. Cole

[illegible]t in Industrial Deve[illegible] pledge to support [illegible]ent industry and any [illegible]stry that may look to [illegible]pport.

[illegible] continue to support [illegible]cultural segment in any [illegible] will result in more [illegible]on and a better mar[illegible]

[illegible]as been a producer - [illegible]or of milk in this [illegible] for the past 27 years. He [illegible]rked for VPI Dairy [illegible]ent Official Testing [illegible] years; has worked [illegible]r Fertilizer Company [illegible]k for 4 years as [illegible] Superintendent of [illegible]turing at the Norfolk [illegible]e served in the U.S. [illegible]ring World War II for [illegible]d one-half years.

[illegible] married to the former [illegible]n Weedle of Norfolk. [illegible]w the parents of three [illegible]n, Jean Fielding of [illegible]rg, Nancy O'Brien and [illegible] Cole.

[illegible] Cole will run as an [illegible]dent in the General

DIABETES DETECTION CLINIC SET FOR APRIL 27

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crackers, 1 slice lunch meat or cheese, 2 slices bread with butter or margarine or mayonnaise, ½ cup vegetable or salad, coffee or tea (without caffeine), 1 slice or scoop of ice cream.

Chestnut Grove

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Senger were Tuesday visitors of Mr. Paul Lunsford and Mrs. Bertha Jones in Crewe.

Neal and Monroe Harris and Monroe, Jr. of Richmond were Thursday dinner guests of Mr. and mrs. Rusell L. Harris.

Mrs. Ruth Beasley and Mrs. David Woodall and baby of Farmville were Friday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Baldwin at Rustburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jamerson of Prospect; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Manis of Farmville were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Harris.

Visitors during the week end of Mr. and Mrs. Don Morris were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glover and family; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Glover and family of Hixburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete F. Harris and Donna Harris attended the Azalea Festival at Wilmington, N. C. over the week end and visited the Rev. and Mrs. William H. Voorhes.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Morris, Charles and Kenneth Morris and Nancy Wilson were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Waycaster at Dillwyn.

Thursday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Senger were Mr. and Mrs. Brookshew Cassady of Crewe.

Karen Harris accompanied Mrs. Dan Senger; Mrs. Lincoln; Mrs. Mildred Mottley and Penny to V. P. I. at Blacksburg Sunday.

The Chestnut Grove Homemakers Club met Monday with Nine present. The demonstration on "Keeping Cut Flowers Fresh" was given by Mrs. Kemper Beasley.

The Regular Womans Missionary Meeting will be held Friday, April 18 at 8 p. m. at the church.

Mrs. K. M. Beasley, Jr. and Kathy accompanied by Mrs. Katherine Carson and Mrs. Pat Carson both of Spout Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morris at Hampton Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Cander and family of Beckley, West Virginia were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Williams.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Henson Morris Sunday were Mr. and mrs. Bill Senger of Dillwyn.

Virginias Fourth Forest Survey Now Under Way

Virginia's forest resources will be inventoried for the fourth time since the first survey was conducted in 1940. The 1966 survey pointed out the imbalance of cut over growth in the yellow pine species. The 1975 survey will be extremely helpful in short and long range planning, especially in the reforestation aspects of the forestry program and will provide vital information for Virginia's and the nation's forest industries in planning plant expansion or plant relocation, said State Forester W. F. Custard.

The forest survey is conducted by the United States Forest Service Experiment Station in cooperation with the Virginia Division of Forestry, continued Custard. Most of the more than 5,000 statistically located sample plots to be usd in gathering data are the same plots established for the 1955 and 1966 surveys.

The survey when completed will show by broad physiographic units the acreage of forest types present, volumn of timber present, timber growth since the last survey, the drain on the forest resources, reversion of farm lands to forest, and forestland to other uses. Another feature will include data on present land use, wildlife and recreational use of forestland, and their watershed values of the forests. This year's survey will also seek to show the ravages of disease and insects in the forest as well as the extent of such inhibiting vegetation as honeysuckle, which is becoming more and more of a forest regenerator problem.

One of the most significant items to be determined will be the acreage of the several forest types,timber age classes and land use categories. This date is of the utmost importance in planning the best use of the forest resource in the years to come sinc e the forest resource, unlike oil, mineral and coal resources, is renewable, said Custard.

The forest survey teams were oriented to the Virginia program on February 3 and began taking date in Surry and Southampton Countieson February 4. The State has been divided into five survey units-Costal Plain, Southern Piedmont, Northern Piedmont, Northern Mountain, and Southern Mountain-- and will be surveyed in that order. The project is expected to be completed by January, 1977.Interim reports will be available following completion of each survey unit, concluded State Forester Custard.

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